

Public Minutes of a Conference Call of the LIBOR Oversight Committee of ICE Benchmark Administration ("IBA") held on Friday, 20 March 2020 14:30 UK

PRESENT: Ms P Madoff, IBA INED, Chairwoman

Mr T Bowler, IBA President

Mr D Bowman, Federal Reserve System (Observer)

Mr S Bullock, Lloyds Bank

Ms C Dawson, LMA Mr A Graham, UBS

Ms C Koederitz, IBA INED

Mr W Parry, Bank of England (Observer)

Mr R Thurlow, Mizuho Ms K Yoh, Independent

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms A Adams, IBA

Ms J ten Elsen, IBA (Committee Secretary)

Mr T Evans, IBA Mr S Gandy, IBA Mr S Tselikas, IBA Ms E Vick, IBA

APOLOGIES: Mr D Clark, EVIA

Ms G Dimitrova, The Investment Association

Mr J Grout, Independent

Mr G Handjinicolaou, Piraeus Bank

Mr M Juettner, Swiss National Bank (Observer)

Mr D Peniket, ICE

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Welcome and Apologies

IBA welcomed the Members to the LIBOR Oversight Committee (the Committee) conference call and noted the apologies as listed above.

Declaration of Exceptional Market Event

IBA advised the Committee that the Company had received a request from one LIBOR contributor bank that morning to declare an Exceptional Market Event (EME) in GBP for all tenors.

The bank's rationale for requesting an EME declaration included the Bank of England's announcement the previous day, 19 March, at 2.30pm of an emergency rate cut of 0.15% (to 0.10%) with immediate effect. The bank believed that this announcement had rendered trades executed on 19 March between 11am and 2.30pm unrepresentative, reflecting a higher prepolicy action rate environment.

IBA considered the request and assessed that an EME should be called on that occasion. IBA noted that the Bank of England would typically announce a policy rate change around 12noon on scheduled meeting dates, thereby affecting only trades executed between 11am and 12noon rather than the longer time window as seen on 19 March. The Committee noted that

IBA thought it appropriate in the circumstances to give contributor banks the flexibility to make exceptional submissions if they so wished, thereby overriding the normal Level 1/2/3 categorisation.

The Committee discussed the EME request, noting that the extended time window between 11am and the actual Bank of England announcement was the decisive factor for IBA to declare an EME in GBP for all tenors that day.

IBA confirmed that the EME declaration in GBP would apply for that day's submissions only.

Any Other Business

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed.

Paula Madoff
Chairwoman